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### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – EXAMINING GROUP 1634

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This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action, mailed on May 2, 2003, for the above-identified patent application. As this response is filed within two months of the mailing date of the final Office Action, it is subject to the expedited procedure for replies after final rejection. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments and remarks that follow.

### AMENDMENTS

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

The amendments to the claims are reflected in the “Listing of the Claims” set forth on pages 2-6 of this paper.

#### REMARKS:

The remarks supporting the patentability of this application start on page 7 of this paper.